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Hongkong, 26th September, 1906. [149]

THE HINDOOS IN VANCOUVER.

"The city of Vancouver is entering upon a grave crisis and the exercise of all the skill and diplomacy of its rulers is necessary to carry it safely through the difficulties that press upon it," remarks the Vancouver World. A horde of peculiar people have been thrown upon our shores in a state of deep destitution. These people are strangers in apparel, in customs and religion. They are victims of the most absurd ideas as to caste that were ever cherished by human beings. Their "society" rules are more conventional than any that govern Mayfair, and it is deemed degrading for one set to handle anything that has been in the possession of a member of a set lower down in the social scale. In the extremity of poverty and misery their caste humbug is maintained. The efforts of the English in India to break it down have been met with but indifferent success. The Indians have over the practice of burning widows and abolished the juggernaut ceremony of crushing the lives out of religious fanatics; but they cling tenaciously to caste. These people have come here in search of homes. In their own land they received glowing accounts of the prosperity of the labouring classes of British Columbia. In India wages are very low, averaging ten or fifteen cents a day—in some districts less—and when a Hindoo gets a letter from a countryman in Vancouver or Victoria to the effect that he can earn from \$1.50 to \$2 per diem he is fired by a desire to cross the "raging main" and seek employment in this favoured land. Many of the turbaned men who may be seen slowly picking their way through the streets and along suburban roads in search of money or food, have left families in India. They have sold their poor belongings for money to buy passages, leaving their women and children, to be sent for later, should fortune favour the exertions of the fathers and husbands in the new land. When they are turned adrift on shore they are mostly without food or money, without warm clothing and without the means to put a roof over their heads. They are natives of a warm climate, and have not been accustomed to such housing. Many have lived in the open air the year round wearing the scantiest of raiment and subsisting on a very meagre diet. Their condition in British Columbia is deplorable. Much as we wish to see them all kept out of the country—for their presence is a menace to white labour—a feeling of humanity impels us to do all in our power to alleviate their distress. The scenes that were depicted in Saturday's World would move a heart of stone. Packed in wretched tenements, without food or fire, bedding or warm raiment, forced to remain in a standing posture because the rooms are so crowded that no man can lie down without being trampled upon; pulling, scratching and fighting in an excess of misery and wretchedness—such are the conditions that the Hindoos labour under in this province. The question naturally arises, who is responsible for all this misery? Who enticed this peculiar people to these shores and who, by holding out glowing inducements of the prosperity and happiness to be found here have lured most to their ruin and many to their death? Is there an East Indian immigration agent at Vancouver who invites his friend hither and who for the sake of a few dollars has brought disaster upon whole communities of East Indians? Who is "Dr. Davidchand"? He is an Oriental; but who and what is his business status? What does he do for a living, and is he the authorized agent of railway companies or syndicates to bring out cheap labour in the shape of these strangers—strangers in blood, religion, habits and colour—and turn them loose to break down the labour market and prey on the inhabitants in isolated districts? If these men are freezing and starving there is much to be said in ex-emption of their forays. "All that a man hath will he give for his life," and what was true in Job's day is true now. If the strangers steal to prolong life they will be punished; and while much is to be said in palliation of their offence no words can be found too strong in condemning those who induced them to leave their own land. They are not wanted here. There is no room for them; and while we would deprecate any but the employment of the gentlest measures in dealing with them we would urge that the Dominion parliament be asked to pass an act, as quick as possible after it shall have convened, that will prevent any more of this most undesirable class of immigrants landing, and to provide means for the deportation of those now here who may have failed to obtain the means of gaining a livelihood. If this should not be done the province may prepare for the erection of a gigantic poor house and the levying of a special rate for the support of poverty-stricken Hindoos.

LADY'S £40,000 WINDFALL.

STORY OF A LUCKY LOTTERY TICKET.

A remarkable stroke of good fortune has befallen a relative of a Southend town councillor, Mr. George Allen, a retired builder, of York-road, Southend. This relative, a cousin, is a Mrs. Savage, of Calcutta, whose father occupied a prominent position as a Government official in that place. Some time ago Mrs. Savage, who is an elderly lady and accustomed to travel a great deal, invested several pounds in the purchase of State lottery tickets. She mentioned this fact one evening in the course of conversation with friends, one of whom, with an instinct that proved strangely prophetic, declared that among the tickets was the lucky number. He offered to give Mrs. Savage £500 if she would dispose of them. The first prize was £40,000. Mrs. Savage, of course, treated the offer as a joke, but finding it was persisted in she decided that she would first consult her husband. She herself strongly favoured the acceptance of a certain £500 as against the remote chance of £40,000. Her husband counselled caution; and finally, to put the temptation of selling the tickets entirely out of question, offered himself to give £500 for them, on condition that she would pay him £5,000, if she were successful. Eventually the announcement came that Mrs. Savage had won the first prize.

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A CHOICE COLLECTION OF

SILK EMBROIDERIES.

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TERMS:—As usual.

Catalogues will be issued.

On view from Monday, the 17th December, 1906.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1906.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

ON

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,

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A VERY FINE COLLECTION OF

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On view on Thursday, 20th December.

Catalogues will be issued.

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Hongkong, 18th December, 1906.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

MESSRS. HUGHES & HOUGH have

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PUBLIC AUCTION,

TO-MORROW,

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IN ONE LOT.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

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the 22nd December, 1906, at 11 A.M., at their

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ALBERTS, PEARL and EMERALD OPERA

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CARRIAGE CLOCKS, &c., &c., &c.

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TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1906. [121]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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the 22nd December, 1906, commencing at

2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms,

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ALL SUITABLE FOR XMAS PRESENTS.

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GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1906. [1202]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

TO-MORROW,

the 20th December, 1906, at 2.30 P.M., at

their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road,

corner of Ice House Street.

A QUANTITY OF

MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES,

Comprising:—

STEEL PROOF ENGRAVINGS,

MICROSCOPES, SEXTANTS, BINO-

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LADY'S and GENT'S HATS, SILK UM-

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TELESCOPES by Ross, HAND BAGS,

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VALUABLE GOLD CHRONOMETER

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HUGHES & HOUGH,

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1906. [1210]

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. GEO. P. LAMMERT has received

instructions to sell at his

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ON

THURSDAY,

the 27th day of December, 1906, at 3 P.M.

The ONE-SIXTH share and interest of the

late TANG YUK CHUEN of and in the pieces of

ground registered in the Land Office as

KOWLOON MARINE LOT No. 50,

KOWLOON INLAND LOTS Nos. 629, 630,

631 and 1,111,

and of and in all the messuages and buildings

thereon respectively,

AND ALSO

The ONE-SIXTH share and interest of the

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19, 1906.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY AGREEMENT.

From the statement contributed by our correspondent at Canton yesterday, together with reports which have appeared lately in the vernacular papers of North China, there cannot be the slightest doubt that a strong effort is being made by the younger generation of Chinese agitators to formulate a general protest against the ratification of the Agreement framed in connection with the construction of the Kowloon-Canton railway. We read that almost all the schools and colleges in Canton were represented at a meeting held the other day, the special object of which was to petition the Imperial Government to withhold its assent to the Agreement in question; and it would seem that the meeting was practically unanimous in supporting the proposal to enlist the sympathy of the Peking officials in protesting against the conclusion of the Agreement. Such a movement is quite in line with the policy pursued during the past few years by those who object to the control of Chinese undertakings by European Powers. The students are not alone in their effort to induce the Chinese Government to delay matters in regard to the Kowloon-Canton line, for the Boycott Association, which is backed by ample funds, are also reported to have firm objections to the terms of the Anglo-Chinese Agreement, and have already transmitted a telegram to the authorities at Peking asking the Waiwupu to represent their views on this subject to the throne. It may be accepted as a fact that the Cantonese are not working single-headed in endeavouring to secure the end they have in view; the probability is that they are following the advice of the reformers in Shanghai, who, again, are stimulated by officials adverse to foreign interference in any shape or form. There is no suggestion that the Kowloon-Canton line should be dropped; the idea at the bottom of the movement is, doubtless, that the railway should be constructed with Chinese capital. It may also be that the Chinese hope in the end not merely to secure the abrogation of the Agreement as at present drafted but also to obtain control of the entire railway, or, at least, to hinder the work of construction and thus paralyse the efforts of the British Government. The Chinese of the reform party fully recognise that should the proposed loan from the British Government be accepted the latter would be master of the situation over a considerable portion of the line, and the fact that the repayment of the loan is made to extend over a period of fifty years would preclude them from exercising those powers which they seek to obtain in connection with all national or provincial enterprises. From the British point of view it is unfortunate that at this stage the construction of the Chinese section of the Kowloon-Canton railway should be further delayed. The project has hung fire far too long already, and it is only by the energy of Sir Matthew Nathan that a definite start has been made on the British section. Should there be a combined and influential protest submitted to the Waiwupu or the Shangu against the proposed Agreement, the terms of which we published some time ago, there is every reason to fear that the Chinese would succeed in continuing their policy of masterly inactivity. It is essentially to the interest of Hongkong that the line should be completed, if only that the machinations to constitute Whampoa the port of South China should be frustrated. While it is true that Viceroy Chow Pu has definitely expressed himself in favour of advancing the interests of his countrymen in every way, His Excellency has also declared his readiness to co-operate with the British Government in all matters calculated to benefit the provinces over which he rules. That would imply that he is no rabid or bigoted supporter of those who are now proclaiming their objections to the proposed Agreement. At the same time, the Viceroy does not exercise that power which was wielded, in the past by the head of the provincial government. He is largely in the hands of the merchants and guilds, and although this movement has been engineered by the students of Canton there is reason to believe that it has the tacit approval of those capable of making their influence felt in the councils of the Government officials at Peking. The question is still in its chrysalis form, but it is another development of the late Viceroy's motto of "China for the Chinese," and as it is very intimately concerned with the future of Hongkong it cannot be too closely scrutinised. For our part we believe that it would prove to the advantage of both parties that the Kowloon-Canton railway should be completed and operated, for a time at least, under joint control. With regard to the loan, the question of the term within which repayment should be made could be mutually arranged without much difficulty.

SHANGHAI GODOWNS.

The battle of the godowns at Shanghai continues to be waged with unabated vigour by the meagre minority who opposed the adoption of the scheme to sell the Old Dock property to a company—formed mainly of the shareholders of the Shanghai Dock and Engineering Company—whose object is to convert the land into wharves and godowns. The minority constituted but a tenth part of the shares represented at the meeting of the Dock Company, but by its strenuous denunciation of the scheme it led many to believe that the project was doomed to failure. The result of the voting came as a pleasant surprise to those supporting the idea of handing over the unused Old Dock property to another company, for it indicated that the general opinion of the shareholders favoured the scheme submitted by the leaders of the movement. There is no doubt that the conversion of the property will eventually become an accomplished fact, but that does not prevent the objectors from continuing their campaign against the venture, and the latest effort to thwart the promoters is found in the issue of a pamphlet called *The Godown*. It is written by the Editor of the erstwhile *Cosmopolitan* magazine and is described as "a journal of finance cents and non-cents," whose avowed object is to crush the new wharf and godown scheme. *The Godown* is to be "issued sporadically," which is to say that it will appear at those critical periods when the new concern seems vulnerable to Saracenic raids. What will charm the reader whether in favour of the new company or otherwise is the candour and straightforward slashing style of the writer, who makes no bones about his convictions. He is perfectly certain that those who embark their money in the proposed godowns will lose every cent, and he ridicules the idea that dividends will be forthcoming. Of course, he is quite entitled to hold his own

opinions on the subject, and to state sarcastically that he will devote his massive brain to "the task of slaying one of the most hideous monsters that ever appeared on the shores of the Whangpo." But unfortunately for the writer that "monster" is very much alive and possesses as much power of resistance as the proverbial sea-serpent. Mr. J. R. Twentyman, the ex-managing director of the Dock Company, is to some extent held responsible for the suggestion now adopted, but conditions have materially altered since the autocrat of Shanghai played ducks and drakes with the affairs of the Company. If it were true that Mr. Twentyman originated the scheme, then it is also true that the interests which were then at stake were in no respect identical to those affecting the shareholders of the reconstructed company. As a matter of fact it was distinctly stated at the meeting of shareholders, which was held to discuss the question of selling the Old Dock to the proposed wharf and godown company, that the scheme was initiated by Mr. A. M. Marshall, of the P. & O. Company. Several of the letters which appeared in the Shanghai papers on the subject of the new development are quoted. While the pamphlet, which is really a sort of commercial *feu d'artifice* on the Dock Company's scheme, is marked by a certain amount of cleverness, it is not calculated to affect the opinions of those who recognise the essential virtues of the recently adopted resolution. Nothing is submitted to indicate that the new wharf and godown company will fail to compete successfully with the existing godown concerns, and nothing is put forward to shake the views of those who all along have advocated the disposal of that incubus on the operations of the Dock Company—the Old Dock. Since the question of reconstructing the Company first arose some years ago, Hongkong shareholders have consistently argued that the directors should get rid of the Old Dock so that the property which had been lying idle, earning not a penny for the shareholders, and therefore of no value from a dividend-producing point of view, should at last be made a source of profit and possible investment. That end has been obtained by the wharf and godown scheme and that it proved acceptable to the majority of shareholders was made manifest by the overwhelming number of shares which voted for the adoption of the project.

HARBOUR AMENITIES.

With the very best intentions in the world, no doubt, to preserve the amenities of the harbour, the authorities yet succeed at East Point in contravening or, at all events, in sanctioning the contravention of the very laws they set out to uphold. Penalties are imposed on those who wilfully dump rubbish into the harbour, as many a junkmaster knows to his cost. Every one will agree that such a regulation is right and proper, but while the police are busily keeping an eye on the smaller offenders they fail to notice what is happening at the Eastern end of the city. Several new buildings are in course of erection in the vicinity of the Corinthian Yacht Club, and an inspector is on the spot to direct the building contractors where the rubbish should be deposited. At two points along the foreshore there are boards informing all and sundry that refuse may not be dumped "East of this." Nothing is said as to the North, with the natural result that contractors carefully keep within the letter of the law and steer clear of the preserved area. But as they have discovered that to the North of the foreshore there is no restriction as to dumping, they proceed thither and litter the beach with tons of rubbish, which gives forth a by no means savoury odour. They seem to be immune from interference, otherwise this anomalous state of affairs would not be allowed to continue a day longer. When the tide rises, as it frequently does, the masses of waste building material, ashes, and other refuse are swept into the harbour, to eddy hither and thither at the will of the water. The result constitutes a perfect public nuisance, and might possibly endanger the safety of the numerous launches which ply in that section of the harbour. The olfactory nerves of the inhabitants in that district are daily offended by the effluvia which arises from the piles of rubbish which await removal by the tide, but as they are a patient and long-suffering people in the East they tolerate what they cannot redress. The whole difficulty seems to lie in the too definite order appearing on the board, which is presumably intended to instruct the people as to their legal duties. If it were simply laid down that no rubbish must be deposited at any place where it can drift into the harbour then the end desired would be attained. To say explicitly that something cannot be done within certain limits is to induce the belief that the same thing can be done outside those limits, and that is how the building contractors seem to interpret the instructions. But what about the official who is supposed to see that the law is not infringed in letter or in spirit?

Possibly he is unaware of what is occurring beyond the boundaries of his jurisdiction, or is disinclined to overstep the bounds of his duty. Of course that is a very praiseworthy and official attitude to adopt. At the same time it does seem somewhat strange that a junkmaster, or a poor sampan woman should be fined \$25 for dumping a bucketful of refuse into the harbour, while those of larger growth can dump tons of objectionable matter there, or leave it in such a position that it is bound eventually to be washed into the fairway, with absolute impunity. It is certain that the people at East Point would welcome any plan which had for its object the remedying of this administrative defect.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

CAPTAIN G. Elgood, 2nd Battalion Royal West Kent Regiment, has been ordered home from Singapore for a tour of duty with the regimental depot at Maidstone.

"THEY were quite dry, but their clothes were quite wet," said a bright witness in a case before the Criminal Sessions Court, this morning, when asked the condition of an Indian policeman and a boatman who had jumped into the harbour after a boiling stabber!

MESSRS Noel Murray's cotton yarn report for the 13th inst. states that there is a distinct improvement in the market generally. Outside markets seem to have realised that bottom prices have been reached, and their eagerness to buy has caused a reaction. If this continues the China New Year setting will be robbed of some of its horrors.

FUNG Tso is a coolie. He was formerly employed in a shop at No. 7, Lung On Lane, but was fired for laziness. Yesterday afternoon, the master of the shop happened to be out for a few minutes and Fung, seizing his chance, entered the shop and annexed a new woollen blanket, valued at \$4. The shopkeeper returned as Fung was leaving the shop and seized him, turning him over to the nearest policeman. He was arraigned before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, to-day, and was sentenced to fifteen days' hard labour.

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. Price, D.S.O., and Officers of the Band of the 12th Baluchis (Duke of Cornwall's Own) will play the following programme of music at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, to-morrow, the 20th inst. (weather permitting):—

March "H.M.S. Camperdown" Claude Overture: "La Reine d'un Jour" Adam Song "Killarney" Killarney Selection "Lucia di Lammermoor" Donizetti Cornet Solo "The Village Festival" Clement Prelude to the Opera "Madama Butterfly" Puccini "Episodes of a Soldier's Life" Knappe Divertimento on Chinese Melodies Glover God Save the King.

THE *Yellow Dragon* for the present month is scarcely up to its usual standard, albeit an article entitled "The vernacular pedagogue," by Ng Cheung-han, is decidedly interesting, and throws some curious sidelights on the work of the native teacher in China. The names of the elementary students selected to enter Tong Shan Engineering College, which is situated in North China, in a district where iron factories and coal mines abound, are set forth. Altogether 36 students passed the required examination, 31 of whom came from Queen's College.

It is not often that the "cluck" of the hen is heard in the sacred precincts of the office of the *taipan* of a serious business office in the very heart of this City, but one wandered into such an establishment yesterday afternoon and caused consternation amongst the assistants and clerks when it "clucked" its way into the *taipan's sanctum sanctorum*. But when the owner of the peripatetic fowl, who had followed his chicken all over the town, dashed in and made frantic grabs at his apparently vanishing chow, the *taipan* blandly remarked, "Don't disturb it, perhaps it will lay an egg for me."

So great is the competition among those who issue what are known as "Christmas Numbers" that it requires such a great amount of "pluck," an immense surplus of energy and a catholicity of taste that the ordinary newspaper proprietor might be deterred from entering the ever-widening field. Naturally the home magazines with the wealth of material at hand and the ample resources at command are in a position to select from the best and produce the almost unobtainable. But of recent years the Orient has entered into competition with the exotic journals and they have proved that the capabilities of the East have never before been adequately plumbed. The latest addition to the Christmas numbers is that issued by the *Times of Ceylon*. Not merely does it surpass expectations, but it is a real work of art in every respect. It pictures Ceylon as the garden of India. For once the stranger and the casual visitor to the East who has languidly lounged in the Galle Fairs and wondered vaguely how Ceylon got its name, have an opportunity of realising the beauties of the Island. It describes the industries, sports and amusements of Ceylon. Eastern scenes are depicted in prose and poetry, and by photograph and caricature a thorough idea of life in one of the pleasantest spots of the E. E. E. is given. The photographic reproductions are really artistic and entirely devoid of that slovenliness so characteristic of the majority of amateur photographers. Accounts are given of the perils of pearling and the growth of rubber cultivation. Short stories by well-known authors and Ceylon scribblers enliven the number. Altogether it is a most readable, attractive, and artistic production, a credit to the *Times of Ceylon* in every respect. It should prove a most acceptable gift to "old Ceylon hands" at home, and a mine of interest to those whose relatives are expending the vigour of their days in the charming Island.

Mr. T. Spifford, a storekeeper, employed by Messrs. Purnell, Lowther, and Company, prosecuted, Mok Chai, a carpenter, at the Police Court, this morning, for converting \$6 worth of timber to his own use. The timber was in defendant's charge, and it was alleged he sold it and pocketed the money. Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne, sentenced the carpenter to fifteen days' hard labour, and the hours' stocks. A lad named Ip Shing, also employed in the Naval Yard Extension, was charged with stealing four pounds of lead. He admitted the charge and was ordered to receive twelve strokes of the birch.

WE are always glad to read variations of local names, and the following from the Manila *Cebuensis* whilst it conveys important information shows what an impression the Sallavian capacity for work has created. "The transport *McClellan* will sail soon for Singapore where she will be placed in dry dock and be refitted with entirely new boilers. Yesterday a letter, dated November 19, was received from the Consul at Singapore announcing that by the *Tanjong Tiger Dock* Ltd., which company has the contract for the repair of the *McClellan*, a tug was being made ready and that in a very few days it would be sent to Manila to tow the *McClellan* to Singapore."—*Singapore Free Press*.

ANOTHER batch of calendars of much variety of shape, design and appearance has come to hand. One of the prettiest is that which is issued by Martell, of cognac fame. It is a dainty piece of work with an ingenious arrangement for showing the date. The well-known "D.C.L." whisky is represented by a fine photographic reproduction of a Highland stream in flood. Another whisky calendar, advertised by D. and J. McCallum's "Perfection" brand and gives a picture of Pretty Polly winning her famous race. All the foregoing come from Messrs. Price & Co. who are the agents of the three brands in Hongkong. The insurance companies send out a prolific assortment of calendars. The South British Fire and Marine Insurance Company (Messrs. S. J. David and Co. being agents in Hongkong and Mr. Chas. C. Newall the local manager) abide by last year's design, an eminently suitable office pattern. The Western Fire and Marine Co. (Messrs. Wm. Myerink & Co. local agents) has a striking green and gold calendar, while the China Mutual Life, of Shanghai, has issued a sober-tinted wall calendar, with gold figures. The Lancashire Insurance Company is represented by a business-like wall sheet, and a handy blotter. From the Hanseatische Feuer-Versicherungsgesellschaft of Hamburg comes a handsome date block ornamented by a fine picture of an old time galleon. The Ostasiatische Handels-Gesellschaft (A.G.) Hongkong are the local agents. We have also received highly suitable calendars from the Alliance Assurance Company, for which Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. are the local agents, and a typical date sheet advertising the old established Sun Fire Office, of London, the agents for which are Messrs. Siemens & Co.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals began to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—
Companions' Guild \$400
Nam Pak Hong 200
Pawbrokers' Guild 200
Pork Guild, Western Market 135
Bankers' Guild 125
California and Australian Export and Import Guild 100
Ho Ngok Lung 100
St. Stephen's College 100
Zoroastrian Charity Fund 100
Gold Leaf Dealers' Guild 75
Foreign Piece Goods Guild 50
Hamburg Amerika Linie 50
Nippon Yusen Kaisha 50
Chung Hing Theatre 25
A. F. Arculli 25
Brutto and Uet 25
Java-China-Japan Lijn 25
Hon. H. E. Pollock 25
Alex. Ross & Co. 25
Yokohama Specie Bank 25
Tea Dealers Guild 22
China Export, Import & Bank Co. 20
Rev. Milton Jack 20
Po Hing Theatre 12.50
L. F. Cook 10
Francisco Tse Yat 10
Tung Ki 10
Agaard, Thorsten & Co. 10
A. Mackenzie 10
Aquarius Co. 10
Lefferts Knox 10
Wong Po Chun 10
B. Brotherton Barker 5
E. A. Irving 5
G. H. Lammer 5
Ho U Ming 5
Mrs. Ho Tung 5
Chia Sam Tshai 5
Barretto & Co. 5
A. Bunde 5
A. F. 0.92

ARMED ROBBERY ON THE BORDER.

HOUSE ROBBED DURING ABSENCE OF OCCUPIERS.

News of an armed robbery which was perpetrated on the morning of the 17th instant, at She-tau-kok—a village on the frontier, between British and Chinese territory—reached the Colony this morning. According to word which has been received by the police in Hongkong, it appeared that a band of robbers, hearing that two families had locked up their houses and left the village for a time, armed themselves with dangerous weapons and swept down on the two buildings at ten o'clock on the morning in question. They broke open the doors, removed all they wanted, without the least obstruction, and decamped over the border. The villagers saw the robbers break into the houses and leave with several bundles of property, but feared to interfere lest they should be killed.

TELEGRAM.

HONGKONG TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

AMERICANS' REUNION.

BANQUET TO JUDGE WILFREY AND CONSUL RODGERS.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 19th December, 2.20 p.m.

The members of the American Association at Shanghai entertained Judge L. R. Wilfrey, who has been appointed to preside over the new American Court at Shanghai, and Consul Rodgers at a banquet last evening.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 18th December.

President Chang To Chai, of the Yuet-han Railway Company, who returned to Canton a few days ago, called on H.E. the Viceroy yesterday.

Next Sunday, the 23rd instant, being the winter solstice all officials, both military and civil have been ordered to appear at the Imperial Temple in their official ceremonial robes to perform ceremony for the occasion.

Some time ago, the Consul General for France communicated to H.E. the Viceroy the fact that some Roman Catholic Missionaries wish to obtain permission to establish a church in Yung Kong sub-district. H.E. the Viceroy wrote to the local authorities at Yung Kong and has received a reply from the sub-district Magistrate, stating that robbers and brigands are numerous in these places, and that he considered efficient protection cannot be offered to foreigners and asking H.E. to reply to the French Consul to that effect.

Yesterday a foreigner entered a certain shop, at Yau Iam Mun, to purchase some goods and tendered some notes in payment, which proved to be forgeries. The foreigner was arrested by the constable on duty at the time, for uttering forged notes.

As an outcome of the arrest and consequent fining of the employe of Hung Ann Kee, agent for several Hongkong Chinese newspapers, for importing into Canton newspapers on which there is a restriction, and on which no postage had been paid, the Nambou Magistrate, by order of H.E. the Viceroy, has issued a proclamation forbidding the press agents to import the Chinese newspapers which were enumerated by the ex-Viceroy Shun.

INDIAN SERGEANT COM-MENDED.

At the conclusion of the Harbord Office stabling case at the Criminal Sessions this morning, the Hon. the Attorney General said he desired to call the attention of the Court to the conduct of Police Sergeant No. 656, Amar Singh. This man did not know what had happened but seeing a man flying across the road with knife in his hand and jump into the harbour, without stopping to ask the reason why he immediately followed the man and secured him. He might have been an escaping murderer, and might have escaped but for this plucky act, and therefore he, the Hon. the Attorney General, said he thought a few words from his Honour would do no doubt be very appropriate to the occasion.

His Honour called up Amar Singh and told him his conduct had been very courageous on that occasion, and exemplary, and he hoped that he and all Indian police in this Colony would continue to do their duty in the same exemplary manner.

FATAL GAMBLING RAIDS.

WHAT PRECAUTIONS ARE TAKEN TO AVOID MISHAPS?

At the Coroner's inquiry which was held yesterday afternoon, at the Magistracy, touching the death of a lit "boy" who, during a gambling raid on Queen's Building, jumped out of a back window and killed himself, Mr. F. A. Hazeland sent for Chief Detective Inspector Hanson, to whom he put some very pertinent questions. The Coroner wanted to know what precautions the police took, when raiding a house to avoid a stampede, and loss of life?

Detective Hanson replied that in this particular raid he personally took out the warrant and saw it being executed. Before the raid, he left the station they were warned to be careful, as, according to the speaker, he had the height of the building in consideration.

The Coroner asked if the police were always warned? Mr. Hanson replied in the affirmative, and added the police are always told, as far as he knew, to endeavour to arrest those persons around the table first. In the event of there being too many gamblers present and there was a wild rush to gain freedom, the order was to seize those in and around the room, rather than to chase the fleeing ones, for it was far better to allow a few to escape than to be the indirect cause of the death of others.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

Mails Due.

German (*Sydlia*) 20th inst. 6 a.m.
Indian (*Arratoon Abar*) 19th inst.
American (*Korea*) 20th inst.
French (*Salasie*) 24th inst.
Indian (*Kutiang*) 1st prox.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Salasie* will leave Singapore on Monday, for this port via Saigon. The s.s. *Kailong* left Hilo yesterday a.m. and may be expected here on 21st inst. at noon. The Java-China-Japan Line's s.s. *Tytmall* left Kobe for this port on 18th inst. and may be expected here on 26th inst. The T. K. K. s.s. *America* will sail from Yokohama on 20th inst. and will be expected to arrive at this port via Manila on 21st inst.

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

THE HAINEN RIOTS.

DIPLOMATS IN CONFERENCE.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 10th December.
2.20 p.m.

Sheh Tseng, the Director of the Foreign Bureau for the district of Chekiang, leaves Hangchow for Ningpo today.

The object of his visit to the latter city is to meet the British and French representatives for the purpose of discussing the recent disturbances which occurred at Hainmen.

[Reuter's.]

Russia.

LONDON, 17th December.
The Commandant of the Gendarmier at Radom has been the victim of a bomb outrage. One of his legs was torn off. The assailant was arrested.

Germany.

The National Liberals and the Radicals have issued manifestos. The former denounces the Centrists and Socialists, and appeals warmly to German patriotism to bring the war in Damaland to a successful finish. The Radicals avoid the Colonial issue and demand a less bureaucratic Government and more political freedom.

Later.

The Princess Royal.

It is officially stated that the Princess Royal has progressed as well as could be expected after the second operation. The illness is painful, but not dangerous.

Naval Accident at Portsmouth.

A cutter from H. M. S. *Hindstar* fouled a buoy in Portsmouth harbour and nine of the crew were drowned.

The Transvaal.

Mr. Churchill states that Lord Selborne is willing to retain the governorship of the Transvaal if the Imperial Government desires him to do so.

CONDUCT OF INDIAN SOLDIERS.

A WOMAN AT THE BOTTOM.

A case which occupied the attention of Mr. F. A. Hazland for some considerable time this morning was that in which two Indian soldiers—Lall Singh and Bheer Singh, H.K.S.B.R.A.—were charged with behaving in a riotous, noisy and disorderly manner at Kowloon last night, whereby a breach of the peace was occasioned. The complainants were Indian policemen, who testified that about eight o'clock last evening, while on duty at the junction of Austin and Robinson Roads, the defendants were seen drinking gin and breaking the law. One of the policemen spoke to the defendants regarding their behaviour. They paid no notice and when the officer remonstrated with them again they closed with him. The policeman sounded his whistle and one of the defendants took to his heels, the policeman, giving chase. After a run of about 200 yards the policeman caught up to his man, but the latter turned on him and knocked him down, at the same time relieving him of his service revolver, which the law-breaker threw away.

An officer belonging to the same regiment as the accused informed the Court that he was told the defendants and one of the policemen had a quarrel over a woman. His Worship attempted to get that story from the policeman, but failed.

"Do you know the defendant?" asked the Court of the policeman.

"No."

"Did you and the first defendant ever had a quarrel about a woman?"

"No."

"Did your brother have trouble with any of the defendants?"

"No, I do not know," replied the policeman.

The two defendants were called to the witness-box in turn, and the story they related was absurd, according to the Court. They tried to make out that the whole affair was an invention so as to get them into trouble, as the complainants and themselves were never friends. They said that the three policemen were the persons who were drinking gin, not themselves, and denied all that was said by the prosecution.

Inspector Langley sprang up and said that he understood the defendants had said that his policemen were drinking gin on the side of the road. He wanted to know the time when this was alleged to have happened, as he was on patrol and saw the men on their beat that night.

His Worship said he did not believe their story. He bound the first defendant over in the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for one year. The second man was discharged.

In the Court of Session, Edinburgh, on November 2, Lord Johnston granted decree of divorce to Captain Thomas Alexander Mitchell, of the Indo-China Company's Calcutta steamer *Sui-sang*, against his wife Henrietta Maud Cooper or Mitchell, Kowloon, Hongkong, on the ground of unfaithfulness. This action has dragged on for nearly three years, the Colonial Courts having no jurisdiction in actions for divorce.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S VISIT.

QUICK JOURNEY TO HONGKONG.

The Colonial Secretary courteously informs us (says the *Singapore Free Press*) that His Excellency the Governor has received information that Field Marshal, H. R. H. The Duke of Connaught, K.G., Inspector General of the Forces, is making a tour of inspection in the Far East which will include the troops and coast defences of Singapore.

Owing to the limited time at his disposal, His Royal Highness is arranging to travel straight to Hongkong and inspect at Singapore on his return journey.

His Royal Highness will be accompanied by Their Royal Highnesses the Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia.

On the outward voyage, Their Royal Highnesses will arrive at Singapore early on Friday morning, February 1st, and will leave at 5 p.m. same day for Hongkong, travelling in P. & O. s.s. *Devanka*.

On the home-ward journey, Their Royal Highnesses will arrive at Singapore on Thursday, February 14th, in P. & O. s.s. *Delta*, and are due to leave for Hongkong in British India s.s. *Palmetto* on Monday, February 18th.

FOUCHOW RACES.

COMPLETE RESULTS OF THE RECENT MEETING.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

The following are the winning and placed ponies at the recent race meeting held at Fouchow on the 11th, 12th and 13th inst.:

FIRST DAY.

1.—THE STEWARDS CUP.—Presented Value \$100. For all China Ponies. Weights as per scale. Entrance \$5. Half a mile.
Mr. Bridge's Tiarra, 1st 12lb. Hooper 1
Mr. Stella's Bucefaver, 1st 12lb. Pearce 2
Time 1:33 1/5.

2.—THE MAIDEN STAKES.—A forced entry of \$10 each with \$10 added. Second pony to receive \$50. Third pony \$25. For subscription griffins of this meeting. Weights as per scale. Three-quarters of a mile.
Capt. Hope's Spots, 1st 9lb. Quetch 1
Mr. Min's Massage, 1st 11lb. Oswald 2
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 3
Mr. Min's Broncho, 1st 11lb. Oswald 0
Mr. Wedevitch's Navajo, 1st 12lb. Gresson 0
Mr. Willie Shaw's Camarade, 1st 12lb. Master 0
Time 1:40 7/5.

3.—THE TOTALISATOR CUP.—Value \$150. For all China Ponies. Weights as per scale. Entrance \$10. One and three-quarters.
Capt. Hope's Trittenheimer, 1st 12lb. Quetch 1
Mr. Thomas' Platelayer, 1st 11lb. Oswald 2
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 3
Time 1:40 7/5.

4.—THE MIN STAKES.—Of \$10 each with \$70 added, divided 70, 20 and 10 per cent. to the first, second and third ponies. For subscription griffins of this meeting. Weights as per scale. Winner 7 lbs. extra. One mile and a quarter.
Mr. Willie Shaw's Camarade, 1st 12lb. Master 1
Mr. Min's Massage, 1st 11lb. Oswald 2
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 3
Time 1:40 7/5.

5.—THE CAPTAIN HOPE CHALLENGE CUP.—Presented. For all China ponies. To be won at the two consecutive Winter Meetings or three times in all by ponies the *bona fide* property of the same owner or owners. Entrance \$10 to go to the winner until the Cup is finally won, when the second pony will receive the Entrance fees. Weights as per scale. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 7 lbs. One mile.
Mr. Bridge's Tiarra, 1st 12lb. Hooper 1
Mr. Min's Bedale, 1st 12lb. Oswald 2
Time 2:15.

6.—THE HACK STAKES.—A distance Handicap of \$5 each with \$5 added for each starter. For all horses and China ponies not otherwise entered. Catch weights over 11 stone. Jockeys who have never won a race in China or Hongkong previous to this meeting allowed 7 lbs. Three-quarters of a mile.
Mr. Willie Shaw's Tsung-Yeng, 1st 11lb. Shaw 1
Mr. Rennie's Charlie, 1st 11lb. Scott 2
Mr. Min's Copaba, 1st 11lb. Oswald 3
Time 2:15.

7.—THE TEAMEN'S CUP.—Presented. Value \$100. First pony to receive 70% second 20%, third 10%. For all China ponies. Weights as per scale. Winner at this meeting 5 lbs. extra. Entrance \$10. Twice round a distance.
Capt. Hope's Spots, 1st 9lb. Quetch 1
Mr. Min's Massage, 1st 11lb. Oswald 2
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 3
Mr. Min's Broncho, 1st 11lb. Oswald 0
Time 3:09 3/5.

8.—THE MANDARIN'S CUP.—Presented by the local Authorities. Second pony to receive \$25. For subscription griffins of this meeting. Weights as per scale. Winner 7 lbs. extra. Entrance \$5. Seven furlongs.
Capt. Hope's Spots, 1st 9lb. Quetch 1
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 2
Mr. Min's Massage, 1st 11lb. Oswald 3
Mr. Wedevitch's Navajo, 1st 12lb. Gresson 0
Time 2:20.

SECOND DAY.

1.—THE WINTER STAKES.—Of \$10 each with \$70 added, divided 70, 20 and 10 per cent. to the first, second and third ponies. For subscription griffins of this meeting. Weights as per scale. Winner 5 lbs. extra. One mile.
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 1
Mr. Willie Shaw's Camarade, 1st 12lb. Master 2
Mr. Montgomery's Nolikee, 1st 12lb. Scott 3
Capt. Hope's Max, 1st 12lb. Quetch 0
Mr. Oswald's Drumhead, 1st 11lb. Oswald 0
Time 2:20.

2.—THE BIG SWEEP CUP.—Value \$150. For all China Ponies. Weights as per scale. Winner at this meeting 7 lbs. extra. Entrance \$10. Seven furlongs.
Mr. Oswald's Zapeter, 1st 11lb. Quetch 1
Mr. Bridge's Tiarra, 1st 12lb. Hooper 2
Mr. Min's Bedale, 1st 12lb. Oswald 3
Mr. Min's Massage, 1st 11lb. Oswald 0
Father O'Flynn's Ionic, 1st 11lb. Gresson 0
Time 2:20.

3.—THE HARKMAN CUP.—Presented. Value \$100. For subscription griffins of this meeting. Weights as per scale. Winner 5 lbs. extra. Entrance \$5. One round.
Capt. Hope's Spots, 1st 9lb. Quetch 1
Mr. Min's Massage, 1st 11lb. Oswald 2
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 3
Time 3:29 4/5.

4.—THE HONGKONG CUP.—\$150 to First and \$50 to Second Pony if three or more starters. For all China Ponies. Weights as per scale. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 7 lbs. Winner at this meeting 5 lbs. extra. Entrance \$10. One mile and a half.
Capt. Hope's Trittenheimer, 1st 12lb. Quetch 1
Mr. Min's Bedale, 1st 12lb. Oswald 2
Mr. Thomas' Platelayer, 1st 11lb. Hooper 3
Time 3:29 4/5.

5.—THE CHAMBERLAIN CUP.—Presented Value \$100. Second pony to receive \$25. For all China Ponies. Weights as per scale. Winner at this meeting 5 lbs. extra. Entrance \$5. Three-quarters of a mile.
Mr. Oswald's Zapeter, 1st 11lb. Quetch 1
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 2
Mr. Min's Broncho, 1st 11lb. Oswald 0
Time 3:29 4/5.

6.—THE FUOCHOW STAKES.—Of \$10 each with \$100 added, divided 70, 20 and 10 per cent. to the first, second and third ponies. A forced entry for all China ponies entered at this meeting, except those entered only for the hacks, and optional for subscription griffins of this meeting. Weights as per scale. Use mile and a quarter.
Capt. Hope's Spots, 1st 9lb. Quetch 1
Mr. Min's Massage, 1st 11lb. Oswald 2
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 3
Mr. Bridge's Tiarra, 1st 12lb. Hooper 0
Time 2:58 4/5.

7.—THE CRITERION STAKES.—Of \$10 each with \$100 added, divided 70, 20 and 10 per cent. to the first, second and third ponies. For all China Ponies. Weights as per scale. Winner at this meeting 5 lbs. extra. Entrance \$5. One mile.
Mr. Thomas' Platelayer, 1st 11lb. Hooper 1
Mr. Min's Bedale, 1st 12lb. Oswald 2
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 3
Father O'Flynn's Ionic, 1st 11lb. Gresson 0
Time 2:20.

8.—THE LADIES' PURSE.—Second pony to receive \$25. For subscription griffins of this meeting. Winner 5 lbs. extra. Entrance \$5. Three-quarters of a mile.
Capt. Hope's Spots, 1st 9lb. Quetch 1
Mr. Min's Massage, 1st 11lb. Oswald 2
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 3
Mr. Min's Broncho, 1st 11lb. Oswald 0
Time 2:16 4/5.

9.—THE MANCHU STAKES.—A forced entry of \$10 each with \$70 added, divided 70, 20 and 10 per cent. to the first, second and third ponies. For all *bona fide* beaten subscription griffins of this meeting that have not won a race. Weights as per scale. One round.
Mr. Min's Massage, 1st 11lb. Oswald 1
Mr. Wedevitch's Navajo, 1st 12lb. Gresson 2
Capt. Hope's Max, 1st 12lb. Quetch 3
Capt. Hope's Trittenheimer, 1st 12lb. Master 0
Mr. Bridge's Tiarra, 1st 12lb. Hooper 0
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 0
Time 1:47.

10.—THE CHAMPION STAKES.—Of \$10 each with \$100 added. A forced entry for all China ponies and open only to winners at this meeting except the winners of the Hack, and optional for the winners of the Manchu Stakes and Consolation Cup. Winner of two races at this meeting \$15 extra, of more than two races \$40 extra. Weights as per scale. One mile and a quarter.
Capt. Hope's Spots, 1st 9lb. Quetch 1
Mr. Oswald's Zapeter, 1st 11lb. Oswald 2
Mr. Min's Bedale, 1st 12lb. Pearce 3
Capt. Hope's Trittenheimer, 1st 12lb. Master 0
Mr. Bridge's Tiarra, 1st 12lb. Hooper 0
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 0
Time 1:47.

11.—THE LEBRON CUP.—Presented, value \$100. Second pony to receive \$25. For all China Ponies. Weights as per scale. Winner at this meeting 7 lbs. extra. Entrance \$5. Three-quarters of a mile.
Capt. Hope's Spots, 1st 9lb. Hooper 1
Mr. Willie Shaw's Camarade, 1st 12lb. Master 2
Mr. Min's Massage, 1st 11lb. Oswald 3
Father O'Flynn's Ionic, 1st 11lb. Gresson 0
Mr. Stella's Antecaver, 1st 11lb. Pearce 0
The Stewards were: Messrs. H. Baker, C. H. Ballour, E. G. Siemissen, G. F. Montgomery, W. B. Ellis, R. Greig, P. P. Martin, and J. C. Oswald.

THE WEST-POINT STABBING AFFAIR.

SOUTH AFRICAN COOLIES CONVICTED.

After several adjournments the case against the South African coolies who were charged with stabbing two of their compatriots at West Point on the 19th ultimo came to a conclusion at the Magistracy late yesterday afternoon. The Court found the defendants all guilty and convicted them. It will be noticed that the case took exactly a month to be settled. This was due to the fact that one of the wounded men, whose evidence it was necessary to have, could not leave hospital for several weeks.

The circumstances of this case, readers will remember, were to the effect that during the earliest part of November a number of repatriated coolies arrived in the Colony from the South African mines. The majority of them were en route to their respective homes up North. While in the Colony part of them lived in a boarding house in Centre Street. On the morning of the 19th ultimo one of the prisoners informed his friends that Lau Tak Shing—one of the complainants—had set upon him, and relieved him of a cheque for £60, his watch and chain and a few pieces of clothing. He begged them to assist him to force Lau Tak Shing to return his property. Five persons then went in search of Lau. They found him with a few friends in Connaught Road West. He was told to hand over the property that did not belong to him. Lau denied that he had robbed the man, and a quarrel followed which culminated in a free fight. Knives were brought into play and the two men—Lau and Ngai—were stabbed. The men were found lying in the street by the West Point police and they were promptly despatched to hospital for treatment. One man was wounded in two places. He had a knife wound, two and a half inches deep, in his back and a deep cut on his thigh. The other man, who was not in so serious a condition, had a nasty cut on his back, just below the right shoulder. Half an hour after the stabbing was done Inspector Collett's men were just in time to arrest five coolies who were putting off in a sampan when the officers reached the quay. The quintette were removed to No. 7 Police Station and charged with attempting to murder one Lau Tak Shing, alias Lau 1, and with cutting and wounding one Ngai Tak Sang, causing grievous bodily harm, on the Praya West, on the 19th instant.

Evidence was called by the police. Mr. Otto Kong Sing, who appeared for the prisoners, put up a very strong defence for his clients, but they were found guilty. Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne sentenced the first, third and fourth defendants to six weeks' hard labour and six hours' stocks each. The second and fifth accused received one day's imprisonment each.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

SECOND DAY.

CAUSING GRIEVOUS BODILY HARM.

The Supreme Court this morning, before his Honour the Chief Justice, presiding at the Criminal Sessions, Chu Po Lui was arraigned on three counts of assault and causing grievous bodily harm to two boatmen of the Harbour Department, in the Harbour Office, on the 10th November, 1966, and assaulting Mr. Botelho, chief clerk of the department.

Hon. Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, Attorney General, instructed by Mr. G. E. Morrell, of Messrs. Denny and Bowley, Crown Solicitors, prosecuted, the prisoner being undefended. Prisoner pleaded not guilty.

The following juryman were impanelled: Messrs. William Cecil Dutton Turner (foreman), Hugh William Lester, John Rodger, Forbes, George Moffatt, Albert Watson, Alfred Shaw, and Harry Albert Meyer.

Hon. the Attorney General briefly outlined the case, saying that there was a very large emigration from this port to the Straits Settlements, some tens of thousands of coolies going to Penang and Singapore. Owing to abuses which had been practised in connection with this annual emigration the Government of this Colony made certain regulations and restrictions governing the emigration. The intending emigrants were taken before, and examined by, an official at the Harbour Office, and were asked if they knew where they were going, and if they were willing to go. On the 11th November, 1966, at 10 a.m. Mr. Botelho, chief clerk at the Harbour Office, and an official of that department of 34 years' standing, was conducting this examination. Prisoner went before him, amongst other intending emigrants, when he was asked the usual questions, which he answered satisfactorily, and was told to stand down and receive his ticket from the man who was stamping it. But instead of taking his ticket he rushed violently at Mr. Botelho, murmuring something unintelligible, and seized Mr. Botelho by the throat. The latter threw him off, and one Kwok Chuen, a boatman, attempted to secure him, but was stabbed in the right breast. Another boatman, Chau Fook, rushed to the assistance of Kwok Chuen, and he was also stabbed. The prisoner then rushed away and jumped into the harbour. He was followed by an Indian police sergeant who is attached to the Harbour Office, and who jumped into the harbour after him, and captured him. The time prisoner jumped into the water, he was carrying a knife, but he dropped it in the water. Two or three days after a diver from H.M.S. *King Alfred* found the knife, which would be produced. Kwok Chuen was badly wounded and had to be removed to hospital where he was detained under treatment for two weeks, while the other man was laid up for 18 days. Mr. Botelho was not injured by the knife as he threw the man off too quickly, though he might have been badly wounded, if not killed, had he not so speedily defended himself.

Evidence was adduced, and then his Honour said that the case was so simple that he had no direction to give to the jury, as they had heard the evidence for the prosecution and the man's own statement in his own defence, and they had to consider the guilt or otherwise of the prisoner on the three counts. (1) of assault with grievous bodily harm on Kwok Chuen, (2) on Chau Fook, and (3) simple assault on Mr. Botelho.

The jury, without retiring, immediately returned a unanimous verdict of guilty on all three counts.

His Honour then sentenced the prisoner to three years' hard labour on the two first counts, and one year's hard labour on the third, the first two sentences to run concurrently.

RETURNING FROM BANISHMENT.

Shek Tai was then arraigned on a charge of returning from banishment. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour.

MANSLAUGHTER.

After the fifth adjournment the case of Gulem her, an Indian watchman employed on the Kowloon-Canton Railway line, who was charged with manslaughter, was called on.

The Hon. the Attorney General, instructed by Mr. G. E. Morrell, of Messrs. Denny and Bowley, Crown Solicitors, prosecuted, the prisoner being undefended.

The following juryman were impanelled: Messrs. J. Andrew (foreman), A. Klein, H. Varsolob, J. Hansen, H. C. Gray, C. Hance, and K. Eira.

The Hon. the Attorney General said that the facts of the case, briefly and simply, were that shortly after three on the afternoon of the 13th inst. a man named Ng Hing Fuk, a pig dealer, residing at Muk Kung Ham, in the Sham Shui Po district, while on his way to the market at Yaumati with a big boar, was met by the prisoner who, seeing the boar, snatched up a handful of mud and flung it at the animal. The owner of the animal was annoyed at this, and told the prisoner not to do it again. An angry altercation then took place, and it was alleged that the prisoner went up to the increased and struck him on the chest, and then gave him a blow on the stomach. He gave him a second blow on the stomach, and he collapsed. The assault was witnessed by a number of coolies who immediately seized the prisoner and took him away to the Yaumati Police station, and gave him in charge. A policeman was then despatched to the scene of the assault with an ambulance to bring in the wounded man. The latter expired on the way, the cause of death being a ruptured spleen. Evidence was taken in corroboration of the above statement, and the case was proceeding when our report closed.

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To-day's Advertisements.

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1966. [1215]

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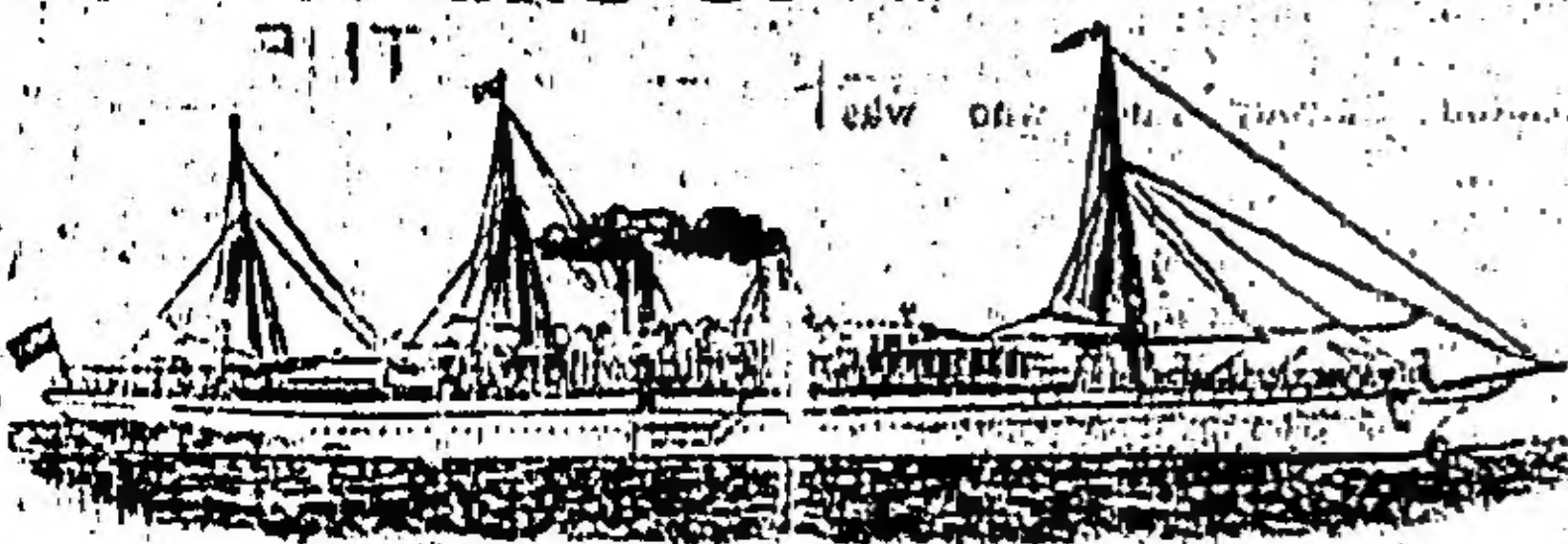
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Consignees.

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E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1906. [14]

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Hongkong, 15th December, 1906. [14]

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Hongkong, 18th December, 1906. [2]

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1906. [1204]

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THE Company's Steamship

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1906. [16]

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1906. [11]

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E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1906. [14]

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BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	20,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,000,000 \$10,250,000 \$10,250,000 \$10,250,000	\$1,712,472	\$1.15/- @ Ex. 2/11 = \$1.47 for first half- year 1906	5 1/2 %	\$325 sales London 2/4
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£6	\$12,735 \$15,000	\$74,099	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1905	...	\$47
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Antion Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,075,000 \$200,000	\$233,638	\$20 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$297 1/2 sales
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 110,000 Tls. 100,000 Tls. 50,000	Tls. 185,529	Final of 7/6 making 15 1/2 for year ended 30/6/1906	6 %	Tls. 8 1/2 sales
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$2,000,000 \$200,000 \$131,131 \$1,131,844 \$59,279 \$800,000	\$2,792,271	Interim div. of 15 1/2 for 1905	4 1/2 %	\$70 1/2
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$300	\$60	\$61,278 \$15,527 \$1,000,000 \$29,458 \$15,616	\$508,134	\$12 and 1/2 special dividend for 1904	8 1/2 %	\$100 buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$200,000 \$1,200,000	\$844,098	\$6 for 1904	6 1/2 %	\$94 sales
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,200,000 \$200,000 \$1,400,000	\$422,618	\$25 for 1904	7 1/2 %	\$335 sales
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$6,000 \$204,038 \$93,582 \$100,000 \$600,000	\$5,563	\$1 1/2 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$21
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	70,000	\$50	\$50	\$3,500 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	Nil.	\$2 1/2 for year ended 30/6/1906	6 1/2 %	\$58
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$15	\$15	\$600,000 \$144,386 \$120,000 \$24,386	\$5,464	\$1 for 1st half-year 1906	7 1/2 %	\$16 1/2 buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	10,000	£10	£10	\$280,958 £3,000 £3,000	£2,452	10/- @ ex. 2/11 = \$1.60	5 %	\$95 sales
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 20,000 Tls. 10,000 Tls. 10,000	Tls. 23,156	Interim div. of Tls. 2 1/2 for 1906	9 %	Tls. 14 sales
Do. (Preference)	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 10,000 Tls. 10,000 Tls. 10,000	Tls. 20,785	Interim div. of Tls. 1 1/2 for 1906	6 1/2 %	Tls. 30 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	1,000,000	£1	£1	\$4,144 \$100,000 \$100,000	\$218	\$1.50 for year ending 31/12/1906	4 1/2 %	\$26 buyers 17 1/2 buyers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	Tls. 98,000 Tls. 305,479 Tls. 48,000 Tls. 81,200	Tls. 13,913	Interim div. of Tls. 2 account 1906	8 1/2 %	Tls. 47 1/2 buyers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 10,000 Tls. 10,000 Tls. 10,000	Tls. 13,913	Interim div. of Tls. 2 account 1906	8 1/2 %	Tls. 47 1/2 buyers
REFINING.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$800,000 \$400,000 \$400,000	\$40,914	Final of \$15 making \$20 1/2 for 1905	8 1/2 %	\$135 sales
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Tls. 532,588	\$1 for 1905	...	\$22
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 8,935	Tls. 4 (8 %) for year ended 31/12/1906	4 1/2 %	Tls. 85
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	\$110,000 £26,011 none	£12,546	Final of 1/- @ ex. 2/11 = \$1.60 making 1 1/2 for year ended 30/6/1906	7 %	Tls. 10 1/2 buyers
Consolidated Mining Company, Limited	500,000	G. \$10	G. \$10	none	G. \$909,050	Interim of 50 cents for account 1906	11 %	G. \$9
South Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000	£1	£1	£4,873	£8,745	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents	...	18 sa. & buyers
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$70,000	\$8,915	\$2 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$29
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	40,000	\$50	\$50	\$2,000,000 \$50,000 \$2,050,000	\$20,040	\$2 1/2 for 1906	6 1/2 %	\$94 buyers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$49,500	\$392,087	\$6 for first half-year ending 30/6/1906	8 %	\$148
New Amoy Dock Company, Limited	10,000	\$64	\$64	\$640,000	\$2,221	\$1 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$16 1/2
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 487,210 Tls. 512,790	Tls. 3,997	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 8 for 1905/6	7 1/2 %	Tls. 108 sales
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 3,200,000 Tls. 57,065 Tls. 3,257,065	Tls. 57,065	Interim div. of Tls. 8 on account 1906	6 1/2 %	Tls. 23 1/2 sales
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 250,000	Tls. 5,668	Tls. 18 for 1905	8 %	Tls. 223 buyers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	none	First year	10 %	Tls. 102
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	10,000	\$25	\$25	\$250,000	\$8,418	\$3 for year ended 30/6/1906	10 %	\$30 sales
Central Stores, Limited	6,000	\$15	\$15	none	\$4,719	\$2.40 on \$12 for 1905	13 1/2 %	\$18 buyers
Do. (new issue)	24,000	\$15	\$15	none	\$4,719	7 % on \$2 1/2 for 1905	...	\$16 1/2 buyers
Do. (Founders)	123	\$15	\$15	none	\$4,719	None	...	\$500 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$648,977 \$19,075 \$668,052	110,057	\$5 for first half-year for 1906	9 %	\$112 1/2
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$1,000,000 \$250,000 \$750,000	\$67,839	Interim div. of \$3 1/2 account 1906	6 1/2 %	\$105 buyers
Hotel des Colonies Company, Limited	9,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 22,500 Tls. 29,783 Tls. 52,283	Tls. 1,935	Final of 6 1/2 = 10 1/2 for 1905	10 1/2 %	Tls. 15 sales
Hotel Metropole Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	\$700,000 \$100,000 \$800,000	\$4,699	Final of \$6 making \$10	12 1/2 %	Tls. 280 sales
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,500,000 \$50,000 \$1,550,000	\$5,070	80 cents for 1905	7 %	\$22 1/2 buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	none	\$574	\$2 1/2 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$38 sales
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	12,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 600,000 Tls. 869,493 Tls. 1,469,493	Tls. 52,194	Tls. 3 for half-year 1906	5 1/2 %	Tls. 95 buyers
Do. (new issue)	26,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 650,000 Tls. 170,000 Tls. 820,000	Tls. 52,194	Interim div. of \$2 account 1906	8 %	Tls. 56 sales
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$772	Interim div. of \$2 account 1906	8 %	Tls. 56 sales
COTTON MILLS.								
Iwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45,939 Tls. 110,000 Tls. 155,939	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 8 for year ended 31/12/1905	10 1/2 %	Tls. 75 sales
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	175,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,750,000	\$21,860	\$1 1/2 for the year ending 31/12/1906	9 1/2 %	\$13
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 750,000 Tls. 150,000 Tls. 900,000	Tls. 36,211	Tls. 6 for year ended 30/6/1906 (8 %)	9 1/2 %	Tls. 63
Lau-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 30,760	Tls. 8 for 1905	7 1/2 %	Tls. 95 sales
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 18,416 Tls. 1,018,416	Tls. 35,986	Tls. 25 for 1904	7 1/2 %	Tls. 333 buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Anglo-German Brewery Company, Limited	4,000	\$100	\$100	none	\$1,066	\$7 for 1905	7 %	\$109 sales
Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	£814	£850	1/3 per share for 1905	8 1/2 %	\$2 sales
Barnett, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	\$12,000	\$1,097	\$3 for 1905	9 1/2 %	\$30
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	none	Nil.	\$1 for 1905 making Tls. 10 for 1905	16 1/2 %	Tls. 60 sales
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	10,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 500,000 Tls. 10,000 Tls. 510,000	Tls. 21,219	Final of Tls. 5 making Tls. 10 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$10
China Light and Power Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$100,000 \$1,100,000	\$1,581	60 cents for year ended 30/6/1906	8 1/2 %	\$94
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$100,000 \$1,100,000	\$1,581	80 cents for 1905	8 1/2 %	\$94
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$1,875,000 \$100,000 \$1,975,000	\$2,555	\$1.30 for year ending 31/12/1906	7 1/2 %	\$16
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$2,000,000 \$100,000 \$2,100,000	\$2,291	Int. div. of 75 cents for 1st year ended 30/6/1906	10 %	\$20
Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$420,000 \$100,000 \$520,000	\$20,893	\$2 1/2 for year ending 28/2/1906	10 1/2 %	\$23 1/2 sales
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$2,568	\$1.00 for 10 months ending 28/2/1906	8 %	\$15 buyers
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd.	1,250	\$100	\$100	\$125,000 \$100,000 \$25,000	\$2,796	Int. div. of \$2 for 10 months ending 18/10/1905	10 1/2 %	\$27 1/2
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$125,000 \$100				